UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RAFIA LAWAL, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

Case No. 1:22-cv-08630 (JLR)

PARKER THATCH INC.,

Defendant.

**ORDER** 

JENNIFER L. ROCHON, United States District Judge:

This case has been assigned to me for all purposes. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, within thirty (30) days of service of the summons and complaint, the parties must meet and confer for at least one hour in a good-faith attempt to settle this action. To the extent the parties are unable to settle the case themselves, they must also discuss whether further settlement discussions through the district's court-annexed mediation program or before a magistrate judge would be productive at this time.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within fifteen (15) additional days (i.e., within fortyfive (45) days of service of the summons and complaint), the parties must submit a joint letter informing the Court whether the parties have settled. If the parties do not reach a settlement, the parties shall in the joint letter request that the Court (1) refer the case to mediation or a magistrate judge for a settlement conference (and indicate a preference between the two options), or (2) proceed with an initial status conference.

Dated: October 14, 2022

New York, New York

SO ORDERED.